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Corps offers free firewood at Lower Granite Dam

Pomeroy, Wash. – Free firewood is available to the general public at a special wood pile at Lower Granite Dam.

“We have an enormous pile of wood that has been building up at the dam,” said Darren Opp, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers park ranger at the dam. “If someone needs firewood, all they have to do is fill out a permit and take it away.”

Woodcutters 18-years and older can get a permit to gather the dead wood. The permit allows for two additional helpers over age 16. Permit applicants will need to present photo identification for all participants in their group and vehicle information, according to Walla Walla District officials.

Woodcutting access will be allowed from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday through Sunday, until further notice. There will be no access on federal holidays. Security inspections requiring individual and vehicle identification will be conducted before access is allowed. Safety equipment like boots, gloves, goggles and hearing protection will be required. No weapons, including firearms will be allowed at the woodpile location.

For more information about getting a permit to gather free firewood at the dam, call the park rangers at Lower Granite Dam, (509) 843-1493, or Little Goose Dam, (509) 399-2233 extension 262, or the Clarkston Natural Resources Office at (509) 751-0240.

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